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## FRENCH STILL DEMAND HUNS STAY OUTSIDE

OFFICERS EXPRESS HOPE THAT DECISION WILL BE SOON REACHED

## AUSTRIA COMPLAINS HARSHNESS

Representative of Morgan Banking House Brought Copy of Treaty From Europe

Paris, June 11.—Hope is officially expressed that a decision will be reached shortly on the reply to Germany. There may be considerable delay before the treaty is again submitted, however.

France is still standing out against the immediate admission of Germany to the Peace League. In French circles it is indicated that the treaty will be changed less than has generally been expected.

Paris, June 11.—Austrian Chancellor Kari Renner sent a letter to the peace conference complaining of the harshness of the terms.

Paris, June 11.—The reply to Germany agreed upon by peace conference heads refuses the German request for mandate for former German colonies.

Washington, June 11.—Elihu Root voluntarily appeared before the senate foreign relations committee and stated that he had for several weeks a copy of the peace treaty which was given him by H. P. Davison of the Morgan banking house. Senator Lodge said the copy he saw was shown him by Root. Davison took the stand and said he brought the treaty to America but that it had never been seen by anyone except himself and Mr. Root.

## YAKIMA BOY ADMITS KILLING JITNEY DRIVER

Yakima, Wash., June 11.—Roy Wolff, the 16-year-old Yakima lad arrested here yesterday for officers at Bakersfield, Calif., where he is charged with the brutal murder of Elmer Greer, driver of a rent car, broke down and admitted his guilt, police officers said.

## EASTERN LABORERS WANT THEIR BOOZE

Atlantic City, June 11.—The American Federation of Labor adopted resolutions against war time prohibition and in favor of exempting 2 1/2 per cent beer from wartime prohibition and federal amendment. The resolution was carried by an overwhelming majority after a hard fight against it by Seattle delegates.

## ENGLISH ANNOUNCE SHIPPING LIMITED

London, June 11.—No shipping will be available until the coming autumn to carry British settlers to Canada, South Africa or Rhodesia, says the Overseas Settlement Office. As autumn is an unsuitable season for landing settlers in Canada, no extensive provision for free passage to former soldiers under the new government proposals is likely to be made until January.

The Overseas Settlement Office adds that there will be no shipping available to carry settlers from Great Britain to Australia or New Zealand until the beginning of 1920.

## GERMANS PLAN HOW TO RAISE NEW ARMY

Would Call Half Million Men Each Year and Stick For Old Military Discipline

With the American Army of Occupation, June 11.—German military experts are publishing in German periodicals various suggestions for the organization of a new German army.

One plan is proposed by General von Francois, who commanded a corps in the Argonne opposite the United States army last fall. His ideas have been republished in numerous German newspapers and magazines.

He proposes that 500,000 men be drafted to service under arms each year, one-half on April 1 and the other 250,000 on October 1. Every man capable of performing manual labor would be subject to military duty for one year beginning at his 20th year.

The 500,000 annually drafted would be used to defend the country from attack and preserve order in the interior. All others capable of working would be drafted also on April 1 or October 1, but after receiving a short course in military training, they would be placed in labor battalions to be employed in socialized branches of industry which have been taken over by the government. These men would thus be engaged in productive activity which would pay for their own support and contribute to that of the armed men.

General von Francois advocates an army drawn up along the lines of the old model, saying:

"In the training and development of the men democratic innovations should be avoided, and the old military principles should be maintained. One object should be the establishment of the highest possible standard of discipline. The authority of the officers as a class must be restored. The means of preserving discipline must also be reestablished by reviving the military regulations, the court martial system, and the obligation to salute. The civilian penal code is not well adapted for use in the army. Activities of the general staff and of the war department must be curtailed."

## CREAM MEN FIGHTING FOR REPEAL OF TAX

Portland, June 11.—Loaded to the guards with reasons for the repeal of the federal tax on ice cream and fountain drinks, the retail confectioners of Oregon met in Portland for their first annual meeting, and launched what is intended to be a finish fight on the tax. Resolutions calling on congress to repeal the tax to save the life of the ice cream business, and in turn the dairying business of the state, were adopted and will be forwarded to Oregon's representatives in congress.

"The ice cream business represents a larger proportion of the farmers' income than is generally realized," said J. E. Dunne, manager of the Hazelwood Ice Cream company. "And it is no exaggeration to state that this tax means the death of the ice cream industry in the state. With this gone, the dairies lose a large market for their products and the farmer, the backbone of the state, loses the financial profit from one of his greatest resources of income. There can be no let-up in this fight until the tax is repealed."

## INTERRED HENRIES WILL BE SENT BACK TO GERMANY

Washington, June 11.—Return to Germany of about 2,000 former officers and sailors taken from German vessels when the United States seized enemy shipping at the outbreak of the war will begin about July 1st. Those to be released now are being held at Forts McPherson and Oglethorpe.

## WIRE OPERATORS' STRIKE NOT MUCH OF SUCCESS

Northwest Not Seriously Affected and Few Operators in East Leave Their Jobs--President of Union Says Several Days Required For Complete Walkout

Portland, June 11.—Practically the entire force of the Postal Telegraph company operators and messengers went on strike this morning. Only two Western union operators, both women operators in branch offices, went out. Ten or more night Western Union operators are reported to have decided to strike tonight. Throughout the northwest Western Union operators are out.

New York, June 11.—Only 160 persons, including 121 operators out of a total of 40,000 Western Union employees in the country, were absent from their work this noon, President Newcomb Corlison announced. He termed the strike a "complete failure."

Washington, June 11.—Early reports show many Postal Telegraph company employees went out on strike in some cities, while fewer eastern union men walked out. In some places none walked out. The service is normal thus far in most cities.

Washington, June 11.—Postmaster General Burleson has announced that no amount of pressure would avail to make the government wire control board "extend or go beyond the rules and regulations of the war labor board which has been strictly observed since the government took over control of the telephone and telegraph properties." He pronounced the strike wholly without justification and declared that in his opinion that traffic had not been delayed and would not be delayed.

Chicago, June 11.—S. J. Konen, president of the commercial telegraphers union, stated that it would take several days for the walkout to be complete.

## KUBLI BELIEVED TO BE ENROUTE TO MEXICO

The first clue which has turned up since his disappearance from home with his wife and two children the day before he was to have had his preliminary hearing at Grants Pass on a charge of cattle stealing, leads the Jackson county authorities to believe that Harold Kubli, the young Applegate rancher, is either headed for Mexico, or has reached that country.

His automobile was found abandoned at La Moine, Calif., in Shasta county, the middle of last week. Sheriff Richardson of that county thinking it was a stolen machine, sent telegrams giving the engine and serial numbers to various cities, one of which was received by Chief of Police Timothy. The latter started tracing the car by these numbers and his investigations led to the fact that the car was formerly owned by William A. Ewing of this city, who traded it in to the Auto Exchange which on May 1st, sold it to Kubli who made only one payment and still owes several hundred dollars on the car.

This was the first trace of Kubli since his disappearance. The authorities of Josephine and Jackson counties did not even have any idea in which direction Kubli had gone, but were of the opinion that he had gone to Portland where he had relatives. Much telegraphing and wiring to the police throughout Oregon and California failed to discover Kubli's whereabouts.

The authorities here have been confident and still are that Kubli will be eventually captured if in this country from his description, as he has a disfigured face, having been kicked in the face by a horse when a boy. But they figure if he gets across the Mexican border he will never return, at least until the present case blows over.—Medford Tribune.

Local authorities believe that Kubli went north instead of south, as he was seen in the Cow Creek canyon by a local jitney driver who talked with him. It is believed that he is endeavoring to reach Canada and that the automobile found in California was driven south as a blind and left in a conspicuous place to throw the authorities off the track.

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## ASHLAND MAKING BIG PREPARATIONS FOR 4TH

Ashland is all beside itself, with the big celebration in the foreground. Few people, not actually connected with the affair, realize the amount of work necessary to bring the event to a successful conclusion. About 100 loyal citizens constitute the various committees and they are working night and day on the various entertainment features for the pleasure of the thousands of people who are coming from far and near. Reports from all outside points indicate everybody and his dog will be there.

The people of Ashland will keep open houses on July 3rd, 4th and 5th, during the big celebration and will see that every stranger is well taken care of.

## LINEMAN KILLED BY STRIKER MOB

Wearer of Victoria Cross Is Fatally Injured By Winnipeg Strikers

Dallas, Tex., June 11.—A. J. Fisher, non-union lineman, was shot and killed today in a clash between strike sympathizers and non-union men.

Winnipeg, June 11.—Sergeant Frederick Coppins, war veteran wearing the Victoria Cross, was probably fatally injured today when a mob composed of strikers attacked a number of special constables.

## CALIFORNIA'S PRIZE GOAT

Pomona, Calif., June 11.—A goat owned by W. W. Cones, of this city, is worth more than her weight in goat's milk every ten days, according to her owner's announcement after she had completed a lactated endurance test. Weighing less than 100 pounds, she gave ten pounds of milk a day, a record equaled by only four other goats in Southern California, it is said.

## HUNGARY PLACES BLAME ON CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

Paris, June 11.—Bela Kun, foreign minister of the soviet government of Hungary, has telegraphed Premier Clemenceau agreeing to stop hostilities against the Czecho-Slovaks, although he blames the latter for causing the recent severe fighting along the frontier.

## KEEPING SOLDIERS IN LINE A GRIM BUSINESS

Vladivostok May 20.—(A. P. correspondence)—Three hundred young recruits in the Siberian army presented a petition to their commanding officer, asking that certificates be furnished them that they were obliged by the system of conscription to join the army and fight the bolsheviks.

They explained that they had no intention of mutiny but if they fell into the hands of the bolsheviks they wanted a fair chance for their lives. The petition was refused.

According to reliable information, the young soldiers then barricaded themselves in a building not far from Trumen, some of them beginning to shoot. The commanding officer summoned Czecho-Slovak troops to his assistance and machine guns were used against the building and the resisting recruits. It is understood that 74 were killed and 149 wounded.

A number of soldiers in the Russian-Siberian army have brothers or relatives in the bolshevik armies, serving either through duress or choice.

## INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

Washington, June 11.—Enactment of the Indian appropriation bill carrying \$15,000,000 was completed today with adoption by the house of a conference report. The measure is the first of the unpassed appropriation bills of the last congress to be sent to the president.

The bill included a rider authorizing the secretary of the interior to lease for the mining of metallic minerals 30,000,000 acres of unallotted Indian lands. The leases will run for 20 years and the government will receive a royalty of 5 per cent on the net returns of the mines.

## BIG BROTHERHOOD VOTE FAVORS DEBS AND MOONEY

Denver, June 11.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers at a meeting today adopted a resolution urging that Debs and T. J. Mooney be freed.

## ROSE FESTIVAL OPENED WITH AIR FLIGHTS

WARSHIPS, SAILORS, MARINES AND SOLDIERS ADD TO VICTORY FESTIVAL

## PLANES IN GRANTS PASS SUNDAY

Fleet of Airships Leave Portland Saturday and Make First Stop Here Next Day

Portland, June 11.—The Victory Rose Festival opened this morning on schedule. The eight airplanes from Mather Field made flights over the city with passengers. The planes will leave for the south early Saturday. The route will include Albany, Springfield and Cottage Grove Saturday; Grants Pass, Ashland and Gresham Sunday, and will arrive in Sacramento Monday.

Portland, June 11.—Portland's annual rose festival, which opened here today, was turned to the glorification of the men who were in the service. It will continue for three days. The arrival of a fleet of airships from Mather Field, near Sacramento, was a feature of the festival's beginning. There will be daily exhibitions of flights and the air fleet was scheduled to visit several Oregon towns on its return journey, after the celebration here.

Warships were in the harbor today and sailors and marines from these will join with soldiers from Vancouver barracks and Camp Lewis tomorrow in a military parade. Returned overseas soldiers and national guardsmen are to have places of honor in the pageant.

Other festival features were a war review and Ad-Club rose festival industrial parade, held today. Oregon and Washington cities were represented by automobile floats firing in the public mind various patriotic achievements of each locality during the war and the Ad-Clubs and industries from San Diego and British Columbia took part in an animated trademark and industrial display.

The annual floral parade to be held tomorrow will have a patriotic motif, with a National Freedom display of floral floats, various carnival pleasures, "jazz" music and street dancing every evening.

## THE BIG RAILWAY BILL PASSES THE HOUSE

Washington, June 11.—By a vote of 305 to 4 the house has passed the bill authorizing an appropriation of \$750,000,000 for the railroad administration's revolving fund. Democratic members urged a larger amount but did not press any amendment for an increase, while republicans declared the fund would be sufficient until later in the year when future needs would be known. The measure now goes to the senate where leaders plan early action.

## HORSES PROTECTED BY POLITICS IN ROME

Rome, June 11.—The horse here has not vacated his position to make room for the automobile. There are still thousands of horse-drawn cabs operating in Rome, while there is not a single taxicab.

Two reasons are given for this equine superiority. First, there are three thousand cab drivers in Rome. These exercise a considerable influence in the municipal elections of Rome and as a consequence no motor vehicle concessions are granted. The politicians know that in order to retain these three thousand votes they must be faithful to the horse and an enemy to the "filver."